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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit : 1742  
Examiner : Michael P. Alexander  
Serial No. : 10/807,693  
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Docket No.: 1052-04

Confirmation No.: 4406

Title : HOT-ROLLED STEEL STRIP FOR HIGH  
: STRENGTH ELECTRIC RESISTANCE  
: WELDING PIPE AND MANUFACTURING  
: METHOD THEREOF

Dated: July 10, 2006

**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated January 10, 2006 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting Claims 1-8 and 17-24.

Enclosed herewith is our check in the amount of \$1,520 is being submitted herewith to cover the extension fee (\$1,020) and to cover the fee for filing of the Notice of Appeal (\$500).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2719. A duplicate copy of this Notice of Appeal is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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